

## 9 FAM Appendix C, TRINIDAD and TOBAGO

(TL:VISA-454; 08-13-2002)

### RECIPROCITY

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Class	Fee	No. Applications	Validity
A-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
A-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
A-3 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
B-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-1/B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
C-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
C-1/D	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
C-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
C-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
D	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
E-1 [2]	NO TREATY	N/A	N/A
E-2 [2]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
G-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
G-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
G-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
G-5 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
H-1B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-1C	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-2A	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-2B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
I	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
J-1 [4]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
J-2 [4]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
K-1	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
K-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
L-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
L-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
M-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
M-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-8	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-9	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
NATO 1-7	N/A	N/A	N/A
O-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]

O-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
O-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
Q-1 [6]	NONE	MULTIPLE	15 MONTHS [3]
R-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
R-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
S-5 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-6 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-7 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
T-1 [9]	N/A	N/A	N/A
T-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-3	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-4	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
TD [5]	N/A	N/A	N/A
V-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
V-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]
V-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]

## **SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES**

*(TL:VISA-217; 11-01-2000)*

None.

## **DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS**

### **Police Record**

*(TL:VISA-375; 03-21-2002)*

Available. Records prior to 1990 were destroyed when police headquarters was gutted by fire, but have been largely recreated using prison, court, and other records. Records are fully computerized and can be accessed by name or date of birth. A Certificate of Good Character may be obtained in person at the local police station closest to where the applicant resides. Fingerprints are taken there and the certificate, which is issued by the Central Police Agency, is returned to the local police office for pick-up. Processing time is two to three weeks.

Persons residing outside of Trinidad and Tobago may request a Certificate of Good Character by mail from: Superintendent, CID and CRO, Police Headquarters, Corner of Sackville and Edwards Streets, Port of Spain. The request must be accompanied by a fingerprint card completed by a police department or similar organization, a U.S. Consulate or a Trinidadian diplomatic establishment abroad. The fee is payable only by

postal money order. Processing time by mail is approximately eight weeks. It may be faster for a Trinidadian abroad to send his or her fingerprints and money to relatives who are resident in Trinidad and have them apply to the local police station on his or her behalf. Then the relative could either post or send via courier service the Certificate to the applicant after it has been picked up from the local police station. Police Criminal Records Office: (868) 627-4180.

**NOTE:** Statements from the Ministry of National Security attesting to an individual's good behavior, sometimes known as "pardons," are not acceptable in lieu of police certificates as they refer only to good conduct since the last arrest or conviction.

### **Prison Record**

*(TL:VISA-217; 11-01-2000)*

Available. Data included in police certificate.

### **Court Record**

*(TL:VISA-233; 01-30-2001)*

Available to the applicant only; fee TT10.00. Applications should be sent to Clerk of the Peace, Magistrate's Court, NIPDEC House, Cipriani Blvd., Port of Spain, (868) 625-2781; or to the Magistrate's Court in the town or municipality where the case was heard. Supreme Court records can be obtained by the subject by writing to the Registrar of the Supreme Court, Hall of Justice, Knox Street, Port of Spain (868) 623-7711.

### **Military Record**

*(TL:VISA-233; 01-30-2001)*

Available via mail only. Write to: Ministry of National Security, Knox Street, Port of Spain, Trinidad, or Chief of Defense Staff, Trinidad and Tobago Defense Force Headquarters, Airways Road, Chaguaramas, Trinidad, (868) 627-3456. No return postage required. Documents should be returned via mail within a month.

## **Birth Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-217; 11-01-2000)*

Available. Applicant must include: date of birth, district of birth, mother's name at time of birth, mother's maiden name, and, if the child was legitimate, father's name. Obtainable from the Registrar General's Office, Red House, Port of Spain, Trinidad (809) 624-1660 for both residents and non-residents. Birth certificates are available from 1848 to present. Immediately following birth, an uncertified document may be obtained from the District Registrar and the Registrar General's Office will certify the document for a fee. Persons seeking a birth certificate sometime after the event must apply to the Registrar General's Office, which charges a search fee, issuing fee and certifying fee. Processing time is two to three weeks.

## **Marriage and Death Certificates**

*(TL:VISA-217; 11-01-2000)*

Available. Applicants for a death certificate must indicate the name, district of death, and date of death. Marriage certificate applications must include the names of the parties and date and place of marriage. Certificates are obtainable from the Registrar General's Office, Red House, Port of Spain for both residents and non-residents. Certificates are available from 1848 to present. Processing time for applications made in person is one week. Process time for mail in applications is one to two months. Mail-in applications should contain a return self-addressed stamped envelope.

## **Divorce Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-233; 01-30-2001)*

Not available as a public record; however, a copy of a Civil Divorce Order is obtainable from the Registrar of the Supreme Court, Copy Section, Hall of Justice, Knox Street, Port of Spain. An Applicant must provide a divorce case number. If applied for in person, processing time is two to three days. No fee is required. Certified copies of Muslim religious divorce decrees are obtainable from the Registrar's Office, Red House, Port of Spain.

## **Adoption Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-233; 01-30-2001)*

Available. Applicant must furnish child's full name, adoptive parents' full names, date and place of adoption, and name of the court granting adoption. Certificates are available from Registrar General's Office, Red House, Port of Spain, Trinidad. Return postage and envelope should be enclosed with request. A court record of the adoption is generally not available. Fee: TT\$25.00 payable by TT stamps or by postal money order.

## **Passports: Information on Travel Documents**

*(TL:VISA-217; 11-01-2000)*

**Parliamentary Passports:** These passports are issued specifically for members of Parliament and meet the definition of a passport for visa purposes.

## **VISA ISSUING POST**

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Port of Spain (E) All Categories

## **GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED**

*(TL:VISA-217; 11-01-2000)*

All of Trinidad and Tobago.